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THE STRANGE VOW.

BY HANNAH HOPPER.

"I want to ask one favor of you, Aubrey, before I die."

The speaker was a young man who was fast nearing the other world, and the chills of death were creeping through his veins. He wore a soldier's uniform and lay upon a pallet of straw with no one to bid him good-bye, and see his last struggle, but his brave comrade, Lieutenant Aubrey Morton. As he uttered the above words Aubrey Morton knelt beside him, and took his hand within his own.

"Anything you ask, William, I will do if it lieth in my power."

"Three years ago," said the dying man, "I met and loved Ethelyn Martson. I worshipped her and she favored my attention, and at last I proposed to her, and although she did not formally engage herself to me, yet she gave me all reason to hope that one day she would be my wife. Those days were blissful ones to me, but they were of short duration. Ethelyn Martson was false; she told me at length that she had not known her own mind, that she did not love me. The wound in my heart was deep and lasting; for weeks I tasted little food and knew little sleep. Life for me lost all its charms, and caring little what became of me, I enlisted in the army, and now the end of my existence is almost here. Aubrey, I long to be avenged. I desire her to feel all the agony which I felt, and I want you to swear to me, that if possible, you will gain her affections, and then cast them off as she cast mine off, and made me a ruined, heart-broken man.

The young Lieutenant hesitated.—Should he swear to deceive a woman, and perhaps blight her young life.

The dying man saw that his comrade hesitated, and he grasped his hand with a mighty effort, while a gleaming, anxious light shone in his eyes.

"Aubrey you love me," he said, almost fiercely, "promise if it lieth in your power to avenge me. Place your hand on this Bible and swear to it. Quick, I am going."

With a face almost as white as that of the dying man, Aubrey placed his trembling hands upon the sacred book and made the required vow. A look of satisfaction shone on the dying soldier's face.

"Thank you," he said feebly, "there is no one who will shed a tear for me but you old comrade. Tell Ethelyn, when you have broken her heart, that William Haskins is avenged. Oh, Ethelyn, Ethelyn, you will never suffer more than I have—Ethelyn Martson, of Mystic Valley. Find her, Aubrey, if you look the world over. I am going—kiss me, Aubrey—I love you. Good by."

Morton bent over the dying man, kissed his cold brow, while tears gathered in his eyes, and his voice was choked with emotion. William Haskins was dead; he closed the slightless eyes, and with a sad heart prepared the body of his dead friend for burial.

A year passed by, and peace hovered once more over our bleednig country and Aubrey Morton clothed in citizen's dress and crowned with a hero's glory, was spending the winter in New York City. He had not yet sought for Ethelyn Martson, but had promised himself that in the spring he would go to Mystic Valley, and do what his heart had always despised, gain the affections of a woman only to cast them off. His only hope was, that Ethelyn would not love him, though he had promised to do all in his power to gain her love. One glorious night in midwinter, Aubrey Morton entered the spacious drawing-room of Mrs. Dana which was already filled with the eclat of New York. He was growing tired of all this show and affectation, and disgusted with fashionable life. He saw pretty Mrs. Davis at the upper end of the room and went to her immediately. There was something about her charmingly original, and Aubrey Morton admired her, and enjoyed her society more than any other woman he knew in the room. They had chatted together but a few moments when Mrs. Davis said:

"I have a cousin from the country here this evening, and you must see her. You surely will not complain of her being affected, and I think you will like her.—She is a guileless creature."

Just then the cousin mentioned, made her appearance.

"Oh, here she is, Mr. Morton," said Mrs. Davis, taking the hand of a beautiful young girl, while she introduced them in a familiar way. Ethelyn Martson, she called the pretty cousin, and at the sound of that name, Aubrey Morton turned pale, and gave a little nervous start, but it was unnoticed, and almost before he was aware Ethelyn Martson's white hand lay upon his arm, and they were walking among the rare flowers of the conservatory. This beautiful young girl was from Mystic Valley, Mrs. Davis had told him, and he knew it was the same Ethelyn Martson, whom he had promised to deceive. She was a rare, beautiful creature, and as he gazed on her lovliness he did not wonder that William Haskin's heart had been broken for her. But her greatest charms was not in her personal beauty. Her conversation showed rare, intellect, simplicity and innocence. He could not discover a sign of coquetry in her actions. She was frank, yet a little sky, and the hour he spent with her was the happiest he had known for weeks—At the hour of departure he placed the rich mantle about her shoulders, and assisted her to the carriage, while strange emotions filled his heart. He went to his room in the hotel, but the light of her glorious eyes followed him, and all night he tossed restlessly upon his couch sometimes uttering her name, and sometimes calling upon William Haskins to make him free from that awful vow. In the morning he called on her at Mrs. Davis', and found her more beautiful and charming than ever, and in the days that followed he became a constant visitor there, and learned to love her with all the fervor and earnestness of his heart, and he knew by the flushing cheek at his approach, and the tender light in her eye, that he was as well loved.

It was the evening before Ethelyn's return to her home at Mystic Valley, and she was sitting with a book at Aubrey Morton's feet reading "Maud," in a low, mellow voice. Suddenly she threw her book aside, and loking into her companion's face, she said eagerly:

"How glad my mother will be to see me?"

"And how sorry I shall be to lose you! O, Ethie, Ethie, how can I live when you are gone?"

The maiden's face grew rosy red and she hid it on his knee, while she laid her soft white hand on his arm, in a tender caressing way.

The young man's heart beat tumultuously, as he gathered the bright little form to his bosom, and poured in her ear a passionate tale of love.

"Answer me, Ethie," he said, "do you love me?"

She looked into his eyes while a moisture was in her own.

"Aubrey," she said, "words cannot tell you how dear you are to me.

At these words her lover's face grew pale, for the first time since she sat at his knee reading "Maud," he thought of his vow to William Haskins.

Passionately he kissed the rosy mouth crying painfully; "Ethie, my darling, my darling, may God bless and sustain you. Would you mourn if I should prove false to you?"

There was a frightened look in the beautiful brown eyes raised beseechingly to his.

"It would kill me," she said, while her lips quivered, and a tear rolled down her cheek.

"Oh Heaven!" said the unhappy Morton, "yet I have made a vow that it should be so. We must part forever."

The beautiful face uplifted to his grew deathly white, the blue veined eyelids drooped, the long lashes swept the pallid cheek, and lifeless the beautiful form lay upon his bosom. His kisses and tender words called her back to life again, but the color came not back to her cheek.—She disengaged herself from his arms, and with one reproachful glance she turned to leave him. He sprang forward and caught her hand. "Ethelyn," he said, "I promised to avenge William Haskins."

She looked bewildered, "William Haskins?" she cried, "I never saw him, why should he wish to injure me?"

"You never saw him?" said Morton excited.

"Who are you then?"

Ethelyn smiled. "There was another Ethelyn Martson," she said 'and I was named for her. William Haskins was her lover, but she is married to Henry Dalton now; yours is the first avowel of love I have ever heard."

The storm had passed, and Ethelyn Martson promised to marry Aubrey Morton, the next day he accompanied her to Mystic Valley feeling more like a free and honest man than he had felt before since the death of William Haskins. He met Mrs. Dalton, with whom he talked concerning his old comrade, while she confessed her error, and wept that he had died unforgiving.

Thus they became good friends, and he soon claimed Ethelyn Martson for his wife, and happily they lived together all the days of their lives.

SERENADE.—On Thursday evening last after Hon. John W. Forney, with a party of gentlemen from the Northern States on a friendly tour South had reached Lynchburg, Virginia, he was waited upon by a committee of Republican citizens, who invited him to address them on the issues of the day. He declined the invitation on the ground that he had not intended to make a political tour. Later in the evening, however, a serenade was tendered him at the Norville House, and in response he spoke as follows:

FELLOW-CITIZENS: I suppose this is intended as a compliment to the gentlemen of whose company I am one, and I presume also that the majority of those present to-night belong to the political organization of which I am proud to be a member. But my friends, as we are not here upon any political mission, I know you will excuse me if I decline entering upon any of the topics which still continue to disturb this community. [Cries of "Good!" "Good!"] We are here, citizens of the great North, visiting the South for no party purposes. We are here the messengers of peace, good-will, and fraternity. We come to do what little is in our power to restore tranquility and fraternity between sections long afflicted and separated by a conflict which I hope has passed away forever, and with it all its passions and its prejudices. ["Good! good! good!"] I know I speak for my associates, and from the inmost recesses of my own heart, when I say they have not, as I have not, a single unkind feeling for any man, woman, or child in the South We must prosper together; we must forget the past and prepare for the great future that lies before us. This is our mission. We come here for the purpose of observation—some of us for purposes of business. We intend, God willing, if health is permitted to us, to continue our journey to the Gulf, and wherever we go to sow the seeds of good feeling, of friendship, of concord; and having said this my friends, I respectfully bid you good night.

After three hearty cheers the crowd quietly dispersed.

DON'T FIND FAULT.—No heart is sensible to words of praise or the kindly smile of approbation, and no one is utterly above being affected by censure or blame. Children are particularly sensitive both to praise and censure. Nothing can more discourage a child than spirit of incessent faultsfinding, and perhaps nothing is more productive of evil to both parent and child.

Two great motives influence human action—hope and fear. Both are necessary, as is proven by the dealing of the great All-Father. But what parent ut would choose to have his child influenced to good conduct by a desire of pleasing rather than by fear of offending? If parents never express their gratification when children do well, but on the contrary always censure when aught is amiss, the children discouraged and unhappy; they feel that it is useless to try to please and become hardened by the ceaseless fretting, at last relinquishing all efforts to please.

It sometimes becomes polite on the part of a parent not to notice every improper word and act, in order to make a deeper impression on some more serious occasion If your little one has been pleasant and obedient throughout the day, and you say to him. "My son, you have been good to-day and it makes me feel happy," and if, with more than a usual affectionate tone you say, "Good night my dear child," a throb of suppressed feeling fills his heart and he resolves on always earning such approval.

If your grown son or daughter has accomplished some difficult piece of work rendering you grateful assistance—or has climed some steep in the daily drill of study—or acquired some new accomplishment or some added grace; or, better than all, has gained the victory over some bad habit or besetting sin; or, in some struggle of heart and will, has given way to the patient's wish; not only see it but acknowledge it: praise them encourage them, let them feel your satisfaction and approval.

Believe, oh, father and mother by such a course you will bill bind your child's heart to your's with bands stronger than iron; and good resolutions shall so deepen their hold that, riveted to the rock of right, temptatiyn shall be powerless for evil.

"THAT'S very singular," said a young lady to a gentlemen who had kissed her. "O, well my dear miss, I can make it plural."

A FRENCH STORY.—In 1769 a gentleman was passing, late at night, over Point Nebit, Paris, with a lantern. A man came up to him and said:

"Read this paper."

He held his lantern and read as follows:

Speak not a word while you this read,
Or in an instant you'll be dead!
Give up your money, watch and rings,
With other valuable things—
Then quick, in silence you depart,
Or with a knife I'll cleave your heart!

Not being a man of much pluck, the affrighted gentleman gave up his watch and money and ran off He soon gave the alarm, and the highwayman was arrested.

"What have you to say for yourself?" inquired the magistrate before whom the robber was arranged.

"That I am not guilty of robbery, though I took the watch and money."

"Why not guilty?" asked the magistrate.

"Simply because I can neither read nor write. I picked up that paper just at the moment I met this gentleman with a lantern. Thinking it might be something valuable, I politely asked him to read it to me. He complied with my request, and presently handed me his watch and purse and ran. I supposed the paper to be of great value to to him, and he had thus liberally rewarded me for finding it. He gave me no time to thank him, which act of politeness I was ready to perform.

The gentleman accepted the peal of the robber, and withdrew his complaint.

UTTERLY IMPOSSIBLE.—That the lady who believes in "signs and symptoms," always looks out for the new moon over her left shoulder, and never makes pickles on a Friday, will not know "*something* to happen" within the year, particularly if she has the bad luck to break the looking-glass! As the old Dutch farmer said, "Things is always happening, most years!"

That the man who says, "plenty of time, there's no hurry," should not miss the boats, lose the trains, and get generally behind hand! Just notice whether people that have "plenty of time," don't usually end with having no time at all.

That the woman who puts off her baking until the washing is done, and the washing until the weather is a little warmer, and sits down to read a dog's-eared novel in the meantime, should have anything but a drinking husband, shiftless children and a desolate home!

That the man who carries his hands in his trowsers pockets, should ever possess anything else to carry in his pockets!

That the young lady who sleeps in kid gloves and powders her face "for the benefit of her complexion," should have more than her share of common sense!

That the man who wears an imitation diamond ring, will ever own a real one! For mock jewelry indicates a lack of brains, and it takes a certain amount of brains to make money enough for real diamonds, or anything else that is genuine.—From *Phrenological Journal.*

A droll fellow was asked by an old lady to read the newspaper; and taking it up began as follows:

"Last night esterday morning, about two o'clock in the afternoon, before breakfast, a hungry boy, about forty years old, bought a fip custard for a levy, and threw it through a brick wall nine feet thick, and jumping over it broke his uncle right off above his knee, fell into a dry mill-pond and was drowned. About forty years after that, on the same day, an old cat had nine turkey-gobblers, a high wind blew Yankee Doodle on a frying pan, knocked the old Dutch churn down, and killed an old sow and two dead pigs at Bosting where a deaf and dumb man was talking French to his Aunt Peter."

The old lady taking a long breath exclaimed, "Da tell!"

REMARKABLE MARRIAGE.—The Americus (Ga.) *Courier* relates the particulars of a case in that county in which the bride was betrothed to three brothers, and married to two of them; which is rather remarkable.

"On the 6th of August, 1869, a young man came to Americus and procured license to marry an estimable young lady residing several miles from this city, went home, and thus married in the afternoon of that day. He was attacked by a congestive chill, which terminated in his death the following Saturday. The stricken'd bride following his remains to their last resting-place clothed in the same suit in which her heart had been made glad by becoming his bride.

"On the following August (1867) the second brother of the same family came to Americus for the same purpose which had brought the deceased one year previous. On his way home, rejoicing in happy anticipation of making the worthy widow of his lost brother his own bride, he was caught in a heavy rain, and arrived at home with his clothing throughly saturated, from which he was taken which he was taken with a severe chill the same evening, and died the evening previous to the marrige which was to have taken place the following Sabbath. Again, instead of listening to the merry ringing of the marrage-bells, the death knell was heard, and a funeral procession took place of the marraige feast; Some time during last month the third brother of the same deceased procured license, and was happily married to the twice-bereaved lady."

THE New-York East Methodist Conference, at its recent annual meeting, adopted a temperance platform, which declares the Church a Total Abstinence Society, questions the propriety of the sacremental use of wine, assails tobacco, favors prohibitory laws, and condemns the employment of physicians who prescribe stimulants freely.

"A CHARMING novelty" has been introduced at the theatrical benefits in Boston. The play ended, the blushing beneficiary is bawled for, appears, is met by the stage-manager who presents, in behalf of "many friends," a corpulent pocketbook containing $500 worth of United States bonds and such like condiments. And yet people aver that these are not "the palmy days of the drama!"

THE appearance of the Aurora Borealis was, on the night of April 15th, the most remarkable that has occurred since 1859, both in respect to gorgeous display (magnificent beyond description) and disturbing influence on the telegraph wires. Regular dispatches were sent hundreds of miles through the agency of the atmospheric battery which nature furnished. The exhibition has visible over a large portion of the country, and will be long remembered by scientific men.

THE week ending April 19th was a lively one in the Senate, and an exciting one for the politicians. Long columns of executive nominations were sent in each day—ranging from village postmaster to Foreign Minister plenipotentiary. Of the latter, Mr. Motely of Massachusetts, goes to England, Mr. Jay, of New-York, to Austria, and Mr. Curtin, of Pennsylvania, to Russia.

THE village of Hancock, Mich., was almost wholly destroyed by fire on April 13th. In comment, the *Tribune* says; "The calamity is but another lesson against the system, of inviting conflagrations by building wooden towns. That mode of building cannot be other than criminal that permits sixty-five acres of dwelling and business houses to be burnt off like a dry prairies."

IT is understood that the new Consul-General to Havana has been instructed to demand the immediate release or speedy trial of American citizens kidnapped and imprisoned by the Spanish authorities, and full reparation for past injuries, and to declare that the United States Government will maintain a strict neurality on the question arising out of the revolution.

THE recent fire in the Yellow Jacket and Crown Point mines, Nevada, which resulted in the death of thirty-six or more persons, is spoken of as "the terrible disaster that has ever occured on the Pacific coast." The San Francisco Stock and Exchange Board subscribed $100,000, and sent the money by telegraph to Gold Hill for the relief of the suffering families.

PEOPLE recently arrived in St. Louis from New-Mexico, and army officers from the Plains, say they anticipate the worst Indian war this summer ever known. The Indians are concentrated. They will sell their skins' get their ammunition, arms, powder, and when the grass is strong, about July, they will make a general onset upon the pale-faces.

THE coal business in the Schuylkill regions is pronounced exceedingly dull at the present time. Many colliers standing idle, while those in operation are not working to near their full capacity. The reason assigned for this state of affairs is the limited demand for the "black diamonds" in market, and the refusal of the miners to work out an extensive supply beyond current demands.

"CONSCIENCE money" continues to be received—in small sums—at the Treasury Department. Last week a $10 thief, a $100 thief, and a $200 thief sent on their little stealings. A contemporary "would like to see some of our $100,000 thieves or $1,000,000 thieves follow these excellent examples."

AN arithmetic man has been among the census statistics, and is astonished at the "immense augmentation." In conclusion, he says; "There was a 'Magna Grecia' in Italy, made up colonies which had outgrown their parent; and long before the end of the century the world will have recognized a 'Magna Britannia' on this side of the Atlantic."

A wag says of a woman: To her virtue we give love; to her beauty we give admiration; to her whims we give indulgence; her tongue we give liberty, to her wants we give give our purses; to her person we give ourselves to her hoops the whole pavement.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer America will sail between May 20th and June 1st, on a trip round the world, and will return to New-York by the middle of November. The charge for the entire passage will be $1280, including the privilege of living on board while in port

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CHARLES A. DANA, of the *Sun*, has been appointed Appraiser of Merchandise at the port of New-York.

Is it because a lady thinks she has something valuable in her head that she keeps so many locks on it?

PRESIDENT GRANT has been so overrun with "dead beats" that he has selected an Ohio Hearse to carry them away.

What is the difference between an enraged man and woman? The man tears his hair and the woman her husband's.

WHY is matrimony like a besieged city? Because those who are in want to get out, and those who are out want to get in.

WHY may one who is playing blind man's buff be paid to possess benevolent sympathise? Because he feels for his fellow creatures.

A CRUSTY old bachelor says that Adam's wife was called Eve, because when she appeared man's day of happiness came to a close.

A GOOD toast for a firemen's celebration: "The ladies—the only incendiaries who kindle a flame which water will not extinguish."

What is the difference between the accepted and rejected lover; The accepted kisses the misses and rejected misses the kisses.

AN old lady hearing somebody say the mails were very irregular, said; "It was just so in my young days—no trusting any of 'em."

A BOSTON trader has outdone his competitors by displaying in his window a large placard saying, "Selling out at cost and more too."

THE man who tried to sweeten his tea with one of his wife's smiles has "fallen back" on sugar. Nothing like first principles, after all.

THE ancients used to venerate the "ashes" of Departed ancestors; the moderns follow the example, showing great affection for the "dust" of theirs.

IF your are a lover don't love two girls at once. Love is a good thing, but it is like butter. It won't do to have to much on hand at one time.

A LITTLE school girl in Norwich gave this pretty definition to the word happy: "To feel as if you wanted to give all your things to your little sister."

THE bank of the State of New-York was recently swindled out of $26,000 by means of checks bearing the forged signatures of Jay Cooks & Co.

DURING 1868,272, 421 passengers landed at the port of New-York, of whom 213, 686 were alliens. The number of alliens is less by 29,041 than in 1867.

A MEDICAL student says he has never been able to discover the bone of contention, and desires to know whether it is not situated very near the jaw-bone.

SPRAGUE is catching it. The Portland *Press* calls him "the Rhode Island Money Bag," and says he talks like and "effet-scion of the British aristocracy."

BRIGHAM YOUNG'S eldest son Joe is hopeful youth. He smokes his own cigars, drinks good liquors, gets drunk, plays poker, licks his wives and preaches the Gospel.

Twelve cotton mills, running 70,000 spindles, and using ninety bales of cotton per day, have their selling agencies in Augusta, Georgia.

The French printers are on a strike in Montreal for an advance from 27 to 30 cents per 1,000 ems. Several papers have conceded the advance, but others refuse.

"Why do women spend so much time and money in dress?" asked a gentleman of a belle. "To worry other women," was the diabolical but truthful reply.

An Albany tippler swallowed a chip from a molasses cask with a glass of gin and molasses the other day, and it killed him. Terrible warning against the use of molasses.

QUANTITIES of very large shrimps, nearly identical with the European prawnes, were recently in the New-York market. They were brought from Charleston and other Southern ports.

THE Legislature in South Carolina, with a view to attract immigration, has voted a large sum for the purchase of waste lands, which are to be offered on very easy terms to *bona-fied* settlers.

AT a mass meeting of the citizens of Philadelphia recently, a resolution was adopted asking the United States Government to recognize the Cubans as belligerents, before the British Government does so.

GOOD accounts of the appearance and prospects of the Louisana cane crops are given. The area planted is much larger than last season, and, in fact, has only been limited by the difficulty of obtaining labor.

Baron Rothschild's fortune was scattered over the world, and the amount of it has just been ascertained. It reaches the figures of one thousand seven hundred million francs, or three hundred and forty millions dollars.

General Canby has issued an order requiring all persons holding office in Virginia, and who were elected to the same, and who have not taken the test-oath to take it now. This will vacate a number of offices.

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THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1869.

Over the Mountains.

As our *Sub* intimated, we, the Senior, were absent last week, on a short trip through McDowell and Mitchell counties. We noticed nothing of very special note on the way. The farmers appeared to be pushing the plow with an energy which showed that Railroads were having an effect. Marion is not improving as much as it should, considering the early completion of the Railroad to that place, perhaps some time in this year.

Bakersville, the capitol of Mitchell county, is a beautiful little village on the bank of Caney River, and while it hardly ever will be a large place, owing to the mountains surrounding it, it must surely become a place of resort in summer, as we have seldom been at a more romantic place. The scenery, to say the least of it, is grand. We found the citizens of the place kind and intelligent, and then we found them nearly all true Republicans. J. W. Bowman, Esq., one of the champions of Western interests, and a firm Republican, Assessor of Internal Revenue, for this District, lives at this place, we enjoyed his hospitalities while there. Bakersville is thronged with office seekers from different parts of the District asking for places to make money. From our conversation with Col. Bowman, we are satisfied that no man will get a place under him unless he possesses the qualities necessary for a business man, and we are sure that he is right in that.

We imagine that Bakersville possesses a poet, who will make his mark if he will only raise his sights a little and let Joe and the Frogs alone, as will be seen from the following lines which we picked up near the new Court House, built by Mr. Joseph Irby, of Shelby. But here are the lines:

SONG OF THE FROGS.

Come listen friends and we will tell
What pleases us poor fregs so well,
That all the villagers may see
What makes us frogs in such a glee,

Until the fall of sixty-seven,
We frogs from villages were driven,
But thanks to Joe whose heart did soften.
Or listen to our cries so often,

He being a man of tender feeling
Soon had the boys a digging and wheeling,
Till a hole they dug in the middle of town
So we poor frogs could swim around.

Now the joy we feel no tongue can tell
Our hearts with gratitude do swell,
To Joe whose name we'll extoll forever
From bog, and pond, and creek and river

His praise shall be our constant song,
At night and through the whole day long,
In many a river creek and bog,
His praises is sung by many a frog.

Now in the pond as we do set
Each feels that he is Joe's own pet,
And as he passes smoking his pipe.
Each frog from his eyes a tear does wipe.

But the villagers, don't like our song
This hole in the town they say is wrong,
And they call on Joe the hole to fill
But we laugh, for we know he never will

For being a man of tender heart
We know he'll take the poor frogs part,
Therefore each frog still sings and croaks
And at the villager's cracks his jokes.

Come old and young of all frog kind.
I'll give a toast just to your mind
May Joe live as long as Mathuselah of old,
That is if he does not turn us out in the cold.

So hurrah! for Joe he's the friend of the frog
Let his praises re sound from river to bog,
Our life in his service we intend for to spend
Farewell ye good people our song we will end

HOME AGAIN.—We, the Junior, are happy to inform our friends that we have arrived home again, without any serious accident, no limbs broken, and, we believe, "heart whole and fancy free," we hope to be able in future, to be at our post the most of the time, and intend to exert ourselves to improve the STAR and make it more interesting and important to our many readers, while we hope in return that they will go to work and aid us in extending our circulation.

As to our trip, we had a very pleasant time, nothing of importance transpired concerning us, except that we were *swindled* out of fifteen dollars by a *Democratic* Editor.

☞ If you want to get good accommodations, and an abundance of all that is good and rich in the eating line, and not have to pay much for it, (*don't*) go to the Purcell House, Wilmington, N. C.

PUBLISHERS CONVENTION.—This subject having been broached to many of the Publishers of Newspapers in this State, by Maj. Hearne, of the firm of W. A. Hearne & Co., Advertising Agents, and several having responded we will say that we heartily approve of the meeting, and suggest Greensboro', as the point, and 15th July the time.

The W. C. & R. Railroad.

This Road was chartered at the session of the General Assembly of 1854 '5. Soon thereafter the charter was secured on *each Division* of the Road and operations commenced.

By the original charter and subsequent amendments thereto, including the last, which was lately adopted by the Stockholders at a general meeting held in Wilmington on the 15th ult., the funds to complete *each Division*, both from private subscriptions and aid extended by the State has been made separately and distinctly for the completion of *each* Division of the Road.

The progress of the Road, heretofore, has been slow, from what cause we shall not attempt to say. We shall be contented for the present to inform our readers that there has been four millions of Bonds appropriated by the State for the completion of the Road, two millions exclusively to the Eastern Division and two millions exclusively to the Western Division, and also that the first money to be expended on the Western Division is for the completion of said Western Division to this place.

Cherryville, the head of the Road on the Western Division, is but 11½ miles from Shelby, and we have been informed by persons capable of judging that that part of the Road can be completed for *less* than $100,000. This sum is small, and most assuredly can be easily raised, hence, the Road should be completed to that point at a very early day.

From Shelby to Rutherfordton a distance of 26 miles, more than one-half the grading has been finished, perhaps two-thirds, the most expensive work to do, will be the building of some three or four bridges, therefore, it will at once be seen that by proper energy there may be a continued laying down of iron from Cherryville to Rutherfordton.

The cost of the completion of the Road from Cherryville to Rutherfordton with proper management and economy cannot exceed one million dollars, the other million will be amply sufficient to complete the Road to the *base* if not *top* of the Blue Ridge at Reedy Patch Gap.

We have been exceedingly anxious to have communication with the East, and we have always been surprised to see the course persued by our Eastern friends on inter-communication, they seem to show by their continued conduct that they have *rule* on the brain as appears from the Wilmington *Star*, of a recent date, which says "that the best plan to complete the W. C. & R. Railroad would be to finish the Eastern Division *first* and then let the *profits* of the Road finish the Western Division." This cry has become so odious to the people on the Western Division we wish to hear no more of it.—Whether we do or not, we can inform the *Star* and all others in and about Wilmington the *West* is getting able to stand *alone*, hence, hereafter she expects to take care of herself. The management of the Road will soon pass into other hands, when we shall expect to see the provision of the late amended charter carried out in good faith. By the Bill referred to and lately excepted by the Stockholders His Excellency the Governor has the appointment of seven Directors out of which the county of Rutherford is most certainly entitled to one, both on account of the amount actually expended in said Road as well as her political status. We are also clearly of the opinion that our county is entitled to one Director out of the six to be elected by the private Stockholders. We expect to receive justice and we shall not be content unless we do. We shall not hollow until we get out of the bushes.

Contracts on the Wilmington Charlotte & Rutherford Railroad.

We are informed that Col. R. H. Cowan, President of the Wilmington, Charlotte & Rutherford Railroad, is trying to make arrangements to let out the contracts on his road before it passes from his hands. In doing this he seeks to enrich and benefit *his* rebel friends to the exclusion of every loyal man who desires to take a contract on the Road.

We have taken some pains to inquire into this matter, and are *certain* that contracts made by Col. Cowan, as alluded to above, will be *revoked*; or, if continued, *every contractor will be held rigidly to the very letter of his contract.*

We hope the friends of the Road will keep an eye on Col. Cowan. After delaying and embarrassing the completion of the Road, as he has, we would not be surprised at any trick he might play at this late day for the benefit of himself, Walter, Steele & Co. We intend to aid in every manner possible, the speedy completion of the Road to this place, and on over the Blue Ridge; at the same time, we will be a thorn in the side of every one connected with the Road, who does not work for the best interest of the road. Our people are sick and tired of being humbugged about our Railroad, and we shall hold up to the scrutiny of the public any and all transactions detrimental to the true interests of this road.

☞ If you want to take ride, and pay dearly for it, apply at Davidson & Tay's Livery Stable, Charlotte, N. C.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—"Bitter and Sweet" is crowded out this week. It will appear in our next. Let us hear from the author again.

To Our Friends.

We are under many and lasting obligations to our friends, and patrons, for the kind and very liberal support they have given us in the publication of the STAR. Through their kind support we have been enabled to give the STAR a larger circulation than any paper that has ever been published in this place. We have been encouraged by this strong evidence of our course as Journalists, and have endeavored to publish such a paper as would amply repay them for the kind aid they have given us, in which we think we have been partially successful. It is our determination to make the STAR (in every respect) second to no paper in the State, to make us do this, it is not only necessary for our friends to give us the same aid that we have received in the past but it is necessary that they should renew their efforts, exert their influence, double their energies, and lose no means to aid us in extending the circulation of our paper. It is for these reasons then that we appeal to our kind friends to come to our aid. We do not expect to make *money* by the publication of the STAR, this has never been our aim, all we ask or desire is for our friends to aid us in what we believe to be an enterprize that is of no little benefit to our people, and our whole country. There is no means so advantageous in developing the resources of any section of country, as a newspaper. No way that the rights of a section, or a people, can be more easily and speedily obtained, than through the influence of a reliable and industrious paper; upon the whole there are more advantages derived from a well conducted journal, by a community or section, than by any other trade or profession.

With this view before us we are anxious to extend the circulation of the STAR in order that we may be enabled to do more good.

We hope our friends will renew their energies and do what they can for the enterprize. Let every one of our subscribers use his influence to add one or more new subscribers, and continue in the good work, and we have no fears but our most extravagant wishes will be realized.

We expect to commence in our next paper, the publication of the Public Laws of North Carolina, and will publish all the laws of this character that have been passed by the General Assembly. It therefore becomes very important, as well as highly necessary, that *every* citizen should subscribe for the STAR *at once*, and be careful to file every copy away, by which they can have the laws of their State in full, as fast as they can be published.

We again ask our friends to aid us, and we promise that they shall have no reason to regret their kindness.

GOLD.—We were handed a few days since by Mr. Bradley, a specimen of ore from the Hampton mines, situated on the waters of Catheys Creek in this county.

We are not judges of minerals of any kind ourselves but we showed the specimens to several experienced miners, who pronounced it to be very rich. The gold is very fine as to quality, but the particles seem to be larger than usual, we picked several very particles out of one small piece of ore, and we are satisfied that it will pay well to work. The mine is for sale, and we believe there is a fortune in it for some one. Let some enterprizing man, or men, take hold of it and see what can made out of it. This is not all the rich mine there is in Rutherford county but only a sample of the vast amount of rich and valuable minerals with which our county abounds. We are confident that that the quality and quantity of gold as well as various other kinds of minerals in this county, is no where to be excelled. Surely we have a wealthy country in this respect, and it only requires time to develope our resources. Let our citizens go to work to develope the resources of their different localities, with energy and industry, and success must attend them.

We have always said Western Carolina was the garden spot of the world, and we stick to it.

COMPLIMENTARY.—Hon. W. A. Smith, President of the N. C. Railroad, will please accept our thanks for a free ride over the N. C. Railroad from Charlotte to Goldsboro', and return. We found this Road in very good running order, and with all tht accommodations that could be asked. Mr. Smith is a model President, as is easily discerned from the great improvements he has made upon this Road.

☞ See in another column the card of T. A. Granger & Co., Proprietors of Granger's Hotel, Goldsboro', N. C. If you would stop at a good house where you can get plenty that is good to eat, and splendid accommodations, go to Grangers. We are indebted to them for a complimentary meal, they have our thanks.

NORTH CAROLINA REAL AED PERSONAL ESTATE AGENCY.—In another column will be found an advertisement of the popular agency. We are well acquainted with the gentlemen, who manage the concern, and are satisfied that it will be conducted fairly. Here is a chance for some person to obtain a fine residence for the some of two dollars.

We shall try it, let others do as they may.

RETURN TO REASON AFTER FORTY YEARS OF INSANITY.—About forty years ago a young lady, eighteen years of age full of life and beauty, and a residence of this county from some unknown, or at least ungoverable, cause became suddenly insane. For some time she remained beneath the roof of her parents, and received the united efforts and sympathy of her relatives and her friends, but all to no avail. The mental faculties were too surely broken. A short time after, she became an inmate of our county poorhouse, at Dewitville, where she remained until a few days since, a curiosity to strangers and wholly lost to herself. Well we remember, three years since, while paying a visit to the county buildings at that place, noting the very strange appearance of "Crazy Ann." There was something peculiar about her derangement, so much so that we have often called to mind incidents of her conversation and manners. But a few days since "Crazy Ann" resumed her proper cognomen, and is again sane. What a sleep! Forty years of blank existence, and now a stranger to herself. She resumes life where she left it when young and beautiful and the companion of the gay and mirthful. Now she is old, feeble, and gray, in the enjoyment only of the fact that she is again rational, and busily engaged in making her own acquaintance.—*Jamestown (N. Y.) Press.*

ANNUAL CONVENTION.—The annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North Carolina will meet in Christ Church, Raleigh on the 19th next month.

TRAGEDY AT BATCHELOR'S CREEK—A FAMILY POISONED WITH WILD HONEY.—On Wednesday afternoon last, Mr. James H. Stewart, while in the woods bordering on bachelor's Creek, about nine miles from the city, discovered a hive of wild bees in one of the trees. Marking the spot he returned to his home, a short distance off, for the purpose of returning with his family—consisting of a wife and three small children—to enjoy the stores of honey provided by the thrifty insects.

Mr. Stewart succeeded in taking the honey, but was disappointed in the quantity contained in the primitive apiary, not more than a quart being found. Of this the family had partaken but sparingly when all five were seized with faintness. Mrs. Stewart alarmed her father-in-law who resides but a short distance from the spot where the honey was eaten, and he hastened towards the group to see what caused her outcries.—When he arrived at a melancholy sight met his gaze His son, and son's wife, were stretched insensible upon the sward, and with them lay the eldest and youngest child; but the other, a little two-years old, who had eaten more of the poisoned fluid than the others, was apparently unharmed.

In a short time Mr. Stewart and wife began to recover from the effects of the deleterious food of which they had eaten but so virulent had been the poison that the tender frames of the two children succumbed to it, and they were removed to the house with life extinct. As before stated, the child who eaten more largely of the honey than the others, remained uninjured.

This tragic occurrence should prove a warning to those finding honey in the woods that they submit it to a test before partaking of it. It poisoned, it will be innocuous to the bees but deadly to human beings.—*Newbern Journal of Commerce.*

AN EXTINCT FAMILY.—It is a clear fact that there are no known descendant of Cristopher Columbus left on earth. He had two sons, one of whom, Don Diego, rose to distinction as an Admiral nd the other, Fernando as a scholar., Fernando was a great traveller. He not only thrice visited America, but subsequently traversed the whole of Europe and almost every accessible portion of Asia and Africa. In his will he stipulated that his library, containing 20,000 volumes, which he gave to the Cathedral of Seville, should be free to the people, and it is to this day. From books in this collection to late Washington Irving obtainined a considerable portion of the information on which his "Life of Columbus" was founded. The following quanit epitaph, almost obliterated by time. appears upon the tablet which marks the side of the tomb: "What doth it profit to have sprinkled the whole whole world with my sweat; to have three times crossed to the New Wold discovered by my father; to have embellished the shores of tranquil Guadalquiver and preferred my simple tastes rather than riches. or that I have assembled round thee the divinities from the source source of the Castelia and offer to thee the riches gathered by Ptolemy, if passing in silence over this stone thou shouldst fall to ad dress a single salutatien to my father's memory or to myself a slight remembrance."

The eccentric revivalist, Lorenzo Dow, once preached a sermon on the text from St. Paul, "I can do all things." "No, Paul," he said, "you are wrong for once I'll bet you five dollars you can't" and he laid a five dollar bill on the desk. He continued to read, "through Jesus Christ our Lord." "Ah! Paul," he said, "that's a very different thing; the bet's off."—*Phrenological Journal.*

CALIFORNIA'S BIG TREE.—The majestic body of the Father of the Forest, which lies half buried in the earth, measures 110 feet in circumference at the base, and 200 feet in length to the first branch, and being hollow, a person can walk that length erect. The estimated height of this tree when standing is 400 feet. The "Burned Tree, prostrate also, is hollow to the height of 60 feet, and persons can ride on horseback through it for that distance it is 97 feet in circumference, and stood 330 feet high. There are several other trees of immense size, and variously named—Hercules, Uncle Tom's Pioneer Cabin, Three Sisters, Siamese Twins, Twin Brothers, Lone Widow, Widow and Son, Beauty of the Forest, Pride of the Forest, etc.—From *Phrenological Journal.*

A character which combines the love of enjoyment with the love of duty, and the ability to perform whatever belongs to its province in life, is the one whose unfulfilings give the greatest promise of perfection. Such a character, though rare by original organization, may be approximated to by earnest culture.—*Phrenological Journal.*

New Advertisement.

GRAND SALE
OF
REAL ESTATE
AND
PERSONAL PROPERTY,
BY THE
NORTH CAROLINA REAL and Personal Estate Agency
RALEIGH, N. C.

CAPITAL STOCK - - - - - $130,000

Subscribed and taken by responsible persons and Chartered by the Legislature of North Carolina;

JOSEPH G. HESTER, *President.*
JOSEPH DIXON, *Vice President.*
JOHN C. HESTER, *Sec'y and Treas.*
ROBT G. LEWIS, *Legal Counsellor.*

3,000 VALUABLE PIECES OF PROPERTY TO BE DRAWN FOR, WORTH $146,694.

73,346 Tickets will be sold at $2 each!

Any one making up a Club of twenty-five will be rewarded with one ticket free.

It is not necessary for ticket holders to be present at the drawing.

REAL ESTATE,

One Residence in Raleigh, N. C.,		$10,000
One	" " "	8,000
One	" " "	6,500
One	" " "	5,000
One	" in Warrenton,	5,000
One	" in Chapel Hill,	2,000
One Hotel in Taylorsville, N. C.		2,000

List of Personal Property,

Samples on exhibition at HESTER, BROS. & CO., No. 26 Fayetteville St., Raleigh, N. C. at the regular cash prices.	
10 Fine Phætons, $600 each made by H. D. Schmidt, Baltimore,	$ 6,000
10 Fine Top Buggies, $350 each, made by H. D. Schmidt, Baltimore,	3,500
50 1st Premium 7 octavo Pianos, made by Tremaine Bros., New York, $650 each;	32,500
5 Parlor or Church Organs, 6 stops, $250 each, made by Tremaine Bros., N. Y.	1,250
500 Sewing Machines, Wilcox & Gibbs $60 each.	30,000
500 Silk Dresses, best article, 12 yards each $40.	20,000
6 Velocipedes, $75 each.	450
24 rolls Brussels Carpet, 45 yds each $135 per roll.	3,240
6 Salamander Safes, Wilder's Patent, best in the world, $260 each.	1,560
1 Cash Prize, $1,000 in gold,	1,334
10 " " 100 each,	1,000
200 " " 10 "	2,000
672 " " 5 "	3,360
1000 " " 2 "	2,000
3000 Prizes. Value of the total am't,	$146,694
Total number of Tickets, 73,347.	

MODE OF DRAWING,

All of the above is put in the drawing at the regular cash selling prices and will be disposed of by a regular mode of drawing, and in order to accomplish this, the Company will sell 73,347 tickets at $2 each.

The drawing will take place in TUCKER'S HALL, in the City of Raleigh, immediately after sale of Tickets,—of which due notice will be given, at least one week before the day of drawing.

The Company is working under the provisions of a special Charter granted by the General Assembly of North Carolina, which compels the company to comply faithfully with all contracts.

Copies can be had on application to the company.

All the above mentioned property will certainly be disposed of as above stated, and those drawing it will be invested with the title in fee simple.

☞ No member of the company allowed to purchase any tickets.

All money sent by mail at the owner's risk; that sent by Express, Registered Letters, Checks or Drafts at the risk of the company.

No property will be listed unless the title is indisputable.

The Treasurer has been required to give a bond of five thousand dollars for the faithful performance of his duties. He is required to deposit, daily, in the bank, all monies received, where it will remain until the tickets are sold and all the property will be positively drawn and delivered to the parties drawing, or the money returned. Send two dollars by Express, Post Office Order, Registered Letter or Draft, at our risk, or by mail at your risk, and take a chance at the 3,000 valuable prizes offered.

Tickets will be sent anywhere in the United States at the Company's risk upon receipt of $2 and a postage stamp.

The plan of drawing shall be as follows: there shall be two wheels, one a prize wheel and one a number wheel and one arranged in some public place in the city, where the ticket holder may witness the drawing if he desires. In the number wheel there shall be 73,347 tickets corresponding in number to those which have been sold. In the prize wheel there shall be deposited by the board of Supervisors, appointed by the Directors, 3,000 tickets, designating the prizes to drawn, after which the wheel shall be sealed up and placed in the bank in this city, until the time of drawing, when the Supervisors shall bring them to the place of drawing, break the seals and the drawing shall be disposed of by taking a ticket from each wheel, at the same time and the prize ticket taken from the prize wheel shall designate the prize drawn by the ticket corresponding in number to the one taken from the wheel at the same time. The wheel shall be well shaken after each ticket is drawn.

The Supervisors will be gentlemen well known and noted for honesty and integrity, who will not be allowed to purchase tickets or own any stock in the company. The numbers and prizes will be drawn from each wheel by two blind boys, and a full report of all numbers drawing prizes will be published in some prominent newspaper immediately after the drawing. Persons at a distance drawing prizes, may have them sent to any part of the United States they may desire.

Description of Real Estate.

SEVEN FINE RESIDENCES—FOUR IN THE CITY OF RALEIGH.
One in Warrenton, Warren county, N. C.
One Hotel in Taylorsville, county seat of Alexander county, N. C.

One lot consisting of 8 acres in Raleigh, about three-fourths of a mile from the Capitol; about 2 acres in forest oak and hickory, house fronting on the street and about 50 feet back; walks to the house 15 feet wide, planted on either side with Emoisimus for hedge, with a marble statute of the Goddess Flora one side—full size—a fine piece of sculpture, said to have cost $1,500. On the other side, Sun Dial on marble column, both on marble pedestals. Front pailings on the street, resting on hewed granite base, with granite gate posts. The grounds in the grove are highly fertilized and well set with clover and orchard grass.—The remaining six acres highly fertilized producing, last year, besides much hay and vegetables, 4 bales of cotton.

The dwelling of brick, is 42x35 with conical metal roof, and two Franklin rods. In the basement is the kitchen, about 20 feet square and the dining room 18x32 feet, and two pantries well fitted up. On the middle floor there are two large rooms, with fire places, and five variegated marble mantles and a spacious hall and open room for enjoying the summer breezes. In the third story are two large and one small dormitory, all with fire places, and a large passage with cases for wardrobe. In the attic story is a small dormitory, with stairs to scuttle in the roof.

There is a portico to the house 8x14 feet, with floor of hewed granite slabs. The steps of the building, in front and rear, are of hewed granite, with iron banisters, and all the door and window sills are of hewed granite, and all the sash hung on balances. The wood work of the building are of the choicest material, and the entire building recently painted.

The out-houses consist of a barn 40x20 feet with basement walled with granite, large enough for 12 horses or cows, with shed in front and on the two ends, one end fitted up for four milch cows; a horse stable 14x28 feet; a carriage house 18x24 feet; a house for servants 18x37 feet, well furnished, with two fire places and recently painted, and has a good cellar; a brick smoke house 20x20 feet, of very high pitch, shedded all around with wood, gear and chicken house, under the shed; and a spacious ice house, walled with granite.

Through the grove passes a branch with never failing spring of pure cool water. Immediately below this is a granite milk house, the water of the spring which is very abundant, passes into a stone milk trough through the milk house, and discharges in a crystal fish pond, some 15x180 feet, in which is a large variety of fish, many of them so tame that they eat from fingers. Price, $10,000

One large and convenient house in the City of Raleigh, on New Berne street, thirteen large rooms, double parlors, with all necessary out buildings, 1½ acres of ground, and a beautiful oak grove. Value, $6,500

One large house on Newbern and Bloodworth streets, containing twenty rooms, suitable for a boarding house, all necessary out buildings, with a beautiful oak grove in the yard and ¾ acre of ground. Value, $5,000

One beautiful large residence, on Newbern street, eight rooms and a basement, four out buildings and stable, seven acres of ground, elm grove, very desirable and attractive. Value, $8,000

One in Warrenton, N. C., known as the Alston property, in perfect order, one of the best built houses in the State, containing 8 large rooms, double piazzas and porticos, one of the most commanding and beautiful residencies in the place, with 8 acres of ground, one orchard, beautiful oak grove in the yard and necessary out buildings. $5,000

The property at Taylorsville is very attractive, valuable and cheap. It is a Hotel at the county seat of a flourishing and growing village of a thousand or more inhabitants, and situated one square from a good and flourishing College, no school of better grade, right on the line of the Atlantic & Ohio Rail Road, and being situated in the mountain region, the scenery is truly delightful and fascinating. Contains twenty rooms and the buildings are new. Value, $2,000

One in Chapel Hill, containing four rooms with fire places, and one forty foot dining room. Also, kitchen, out houses and one and three-fourths acres of land. Value, $2,000

Those ordering tickets can select any number from 1 to 73,347, if the number ordered has been taken, the number nearest will be sent.—One three cent stamp must accompany every order. All tickets will have the seal of the Company and signature of the Secretary.

Persons living at a distance will be furnished with an official list of the drawing.

☞ We refer to any Merchant, Banker or other gentleman of standing in the City of Raleigh.

☞ For further descriptions and particulars, address

JOHN C. HESTER, Sec'y, Raleigh, N. C.

P. S, Real estate wanted for the 2nd Drawing. Persons desiring to dispose to Real Estate through this Company will be required to send us a description, and a certificate of title, &c. Desirable property will be taken in any part of the United States, for the second drawing.

Preferences will be given to persons who purchase the largest number of Tickets in the present Drawing.

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NOTICE.

The undersigned having been appointed to hold an election for a Mayor, four Commissioners, and Town Marshal will proceed to open and hold said election on Monday the 24th of May 1869 in accordance with the following Act.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ELECTIONS IN CERTAIN TOWNS IN THIS STATE.

WHEREAS, Several incorporated towns within this State failed (from want of sufficient notice) to elect municipal officers on the first monday of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, under the provisions of an act ratified on the twenty-fouth day of July, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight. Therefore,

SECTION 1. *The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact.* That in all cases where any City, Town, or incorporated Village failed to hold an election under the act of the General assembly recited in the preamble to this act, every such City, Town and incorporated Village be and is hereby authorized to hold an election for municipal officers on the fourth Monday in May next.

Sec. 2. That the County Commissioners of the County wherein any Town election is to be held by the provisions of this act shall, on or before the second Monday in May, appoint a register of voters in each precinct in such Town, who shall register the voters in such Town, in the manner and according to, and under the regulations prescribed by, the act entitled "An act to provide for the registration of voters," ratified August twenty-four, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, and also two electors for each precinct who, with the Register, shall be judges of election and held the elections herein provided, and who shall return the vote cast to the sheriff of their County within three days after such election, who shall there upon issue certificates of election to the officers duly elected thereat.

Sec. 2. That the municipal offices elected under the authority of this act shall hold their offices until the next regular election on the first Monday of January, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and seventy.

Sec. 4. That all municipal elections held in the incorporated Towns of this State on the first Monday in January, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and sixto nine, are hereby legalized and made valid,

Sec. 5. That this act shall take effect from and after its ratification.

Rtified this 3d day of Febuary. A. D.

J. B. CARPENTER
E. McARTHER,
F. D. WOOD,
} Judges

May 6-4t

CHARLOTTE HOTEL.
MATTHEWS & STECALL, Proprietors.
CHARLOTTE N. C.

This old and well-known Hotel has been thoroughly
REVIVED AND REFURNISHED.
And every comfort added that will ensure the pleasure of its guests. The table supplied with the best the market affords, and waited on by attentive servants.

A CARD

To Wholesale Buyers.

Thanking our numerous friends who in the past so lavishly bestowed their favors upon us, and thereby placing us among the

First of the Merchants of Charlotte.

a title which we recognize with proud satisfaction, which we will endeavor to maintain by

Fair Dealing
and
Extraordinary Inducements.

this coming season, in view of which and the anticipation in the rise of goods, our

MR. RINTELS,

has already left for Northern markets (much earlier than usual) where, by his well known energy and good judgment in the selection of goods suitable for this market, we hope th be able by the

25th of this Month

to present the first and largest stock of goods ever brought to this State by any house, which we respectfully invite our numerous customers and all others who come to this market to purchase. Very Respectfully,
WITTKOWSKY & RINTELS.

Mr. A. R. MAYER
is now with the above famous and well known House where he will be pleased to see his friends
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NOTICE.

The Commissioners for Rutherford County will let to the lowest bidder at Lyneh's Bridge on Cove Creek on 15th of May next the rebuilding of said Bridge.

Plans and specifications made known on day of letting.

By order of the Commissioners.
R. J. Williams Clerk Ex. Officio
of the Board of Commissioners,

DR. J. W. HARRIS

WILL GIVE PROMPT ATTENTION to all Professional calls, and hopes to merit a continuance of his long established practice.

☞ Has constantly on hand a fine supply of PURE DRUGS at his office in Rutherfordton.
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RUTHERFORDTON, N. C.

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1869.

LOCAL AND STATE.

☞ A good sober, industrious, compositor wanted at this office.

Salutatory.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Hat in hand and with my best manners about me, I bow most respectfully—"How'd do?" Having undertaken the charge of the Local column of the STAR I would say most affectionately, and affectingly, to you all—"How'd do?"

Most of the readers of the STAR are most probably acquainted with me in some form or other, and in assuming this place I feel more like an old acquaintance getting a little nearer to his friends, than like a stranger stepping for the first time on the stage.

And now, if you want to keep posted concerning all the haps and mishaps in this, and the surrounding counties, just drop a line, or drop in and tell whenever anybody gets his, or her, neck broke, or gets a whipping, or dies, or gets married, or meets with any other serious misfortune; and also when any one has met with good luck; any items of which will be most thankfully received.

And don't forget that I am the "Phunny man" of the concern, but be sure, when anything rich, rare or racy goes off, to let me know of it and—won't I tell it through the enraged victims, who pay the expenses, come down on my head like a thousand of bricks.

But Nuf Ced

A. D'K. WALLACE

OUR REPRESENTATIVES.—James M. Justice, the people's favorite, has returned from his visit across the mountains. Is in good health, and is as lively as a cricket. May he long stand as one of the champions of Republican principles, and of Western Rights. There was probably never two men, elected by the people of this county, who stood firmer to the principles on which they were elected, and gave as universal satisfaction to their constituents, as has Mr. Justice, and our Senator John B. Eaves. Warped by no petty schemes or jealousies they have been found on the side of truth and right. And our people have special reason to feel gratified at the bold stand these men have taken in opposition to all legislation which ignored, or treated with injustice, the Western section of the State. The people will ever love such men. Hitherto, all public benefits have been lavished on the East.. Let all of our representatives stand out boldly for Western rights if they wish to win the love and confidence of our people.

ANOTHER HOUSE BURNED.—Our readers will remember the burning of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church on last month, which, from the circumstances, was, at the time, supposed to be the work of an incendiary. The members of this Church soon after concluded to make arrangements with Mr. Womach to hold service in a house belonging to him until another house of worship could be erected. On last thursday night this house was also burned to ashes, this showing conclusively that the act was committed by some vile incendiary. Surely a person is low in the depths of wickedness, who would dare insult their Creator in this manner.

SKEDADDLED.—Hutchinson of the *Vindicator* has played out, bursted, smashed, gone a glimmering, and everlastingly sifted up the spout. The place which knew him once will know him no more forever. The readers of the *Vindicator*, who have in times gone by regaled themselves on the scintillations of his brilliant mind, are bathed in tears because he is not.

We offer our Democratic friends our most profound sympathy and forbear to expose the peculiar wounds inflicted by him upon them. Suffice it to say that like Carpet baggers generally, when he had made his pile he left.

☞ Our Junior says he was swindled out of fifteen dollars by a Democratic Editor on his late trip to Wilmington, we are glad of it, for he ought not to have been in such company; and, we hope, this will be a lesson to him in the future. We never get caught in such scrapes.

We want eight new subscribers to the *Star*, to make up this loss.

SNOW.—Last Sunday the 2nd inst, our friends on, and west of, the Blue Ridge were visited by a considerable fall of snow. The cold weather attending it, will probably greatly injure, if not totally ruin the fruit crop in all of our western counties. We had frost here on Monday and Tuesday last.

MARRIED.—On the 2nd Instant, by Rev. J. R Denton, Mr. JOHN L. McCURRY to Miss NANCY TAYLOR, all of McDowell Co. N. C.

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Registrars Notice.

I will attend at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court on Saturday the 22d day of this month, to register the voters of the Town of Rutherfordton.

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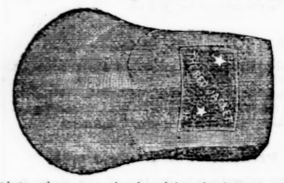

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CASTINGS	8@10
CHEESE	33@40
COFFEE	33
CORN	75@80
COTTON	18@22
" CLOTH	16½@25
" YARN	225
DRIED FRUIT—PEACHES Pealed	9c@11
Bright " Unpealed	3@4c
" "	2@4c
APPLES, Pealed.. Bright	4
	3
EGGS	
FLOUR, per sack	$6@$8
FODDER, per cwt	80@100
FEATHERS	30@40
FLAX CLOTH	25@40
HIDES, dry	16@20
HIDES green	8
IRON	8
JANES, wool	40@75
LARD	15@20
MEAL per bu	90
NAILS	10@12½
OATS, per bushel	60
PEAS	60
POTATOES, Irish	50
POTATOES sweet	50
PORK—gross	9
nett	10
RAGS	3
RICE	16½@20
ROCK ISLAND CASIMERE	75@300
ROPE	25@50
SALT.....per sack $5.50....per lb	3
SUGAR	16½@25
SPTS TURPENTINE, per gal	2 00
TALLOW	15
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } POLK COUNTY.

SUPERIOR COURT OF LAW, SPRING TERM, 1869.

John Edmonds and wife Jane, vs. John Littlejohn and others. } A Petition to sell Land,

A Petition for sale of land for partition, having been filed my office and oath having been made that John Blackwell and wife Susan, and Polly Warbey, defendants, is a non-resident of the State of North Carolina, it is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Rutherford STAR for six weeks notifying the said John Blackwell and Polly Warbey that they be and appear at the next term of this court, to be held for the county of Polk at the court house in Columbus on the 2nd Monday in September next and answer said petition or judgment pro confesso will be taken as to them.

Witness, R. S. ABRAMS, clerk of said court at office in Columbus, 2nd Monday in March A. D. 1869. Issued April 15th, 1869.

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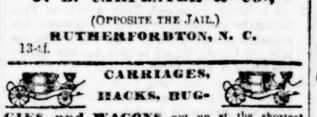

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CONUNDRUMS.—What is the difference between a barber and a mother? One has razors to shave, and the others shavors to raise.

Why is your nose in the midd'e of your face? Because it is the *scent'r*.

Why is dancing like new milk? Because it strengthens the calves.

Why is a dog's tail a great novety? Because no one ever saw it before.

Why is an egg overdone like one undone? Because it is hardly done.

What is the largest room in the world? The room for improvement.

What name can you name without breaking it? Silence.

Why is hope like a decayed cheese? Because thousands live on it.

What bus found room for the most people? Columbus.

What roof covers the most noisy tenant? The roof of the mouth.

What is every one doing at the same time? Growing older.

When is a sailor most like a thief. When he takes his messmate's watch.

When is a man not a man? When he's ab d.

Why is life the greatest riddle? Because all must give it up.

A young woman in Louisiana committed suicide with a pistol the other day, which she fired off with a lighted match. With true orderly feminine instinct, she placed the pistol in her work-basket before she expired.

Gen. Logan, as head of the "Grand Army of the Rebulic," calls attention to the fact that the 30th of May is decoration day—the day set apart to visit and decorate the graves of the dead soldiers of the Union.

AT a camp-meeting last Fall, in the highest heat of excitement, and over-zealous worker in a frenzy of fervor exclaimed aloud, "Lord, come down among us; do come; come now; come just as you are, don't stop to change your clothes!"

A GENTLEMAN, after having paid his addresses to a young lady for some time, "popped the question." The lady in a frightened manner, said: "You scare me, sir!" The gentleman did not wish to frighten the lady, and consequently remained quiet for some time, when she exclaimed, "Scare me again."

As to the watering-places, Newport promises to be as popular as ever. Eighty-two cottages have been rented there for the coming season—a larger number by half than were let at the same time last year. Some of the hotels are already preparing for visitors.

COL. BENJAMIN P. JOHNSON, so long and so favorably known as Secretary of the New-York State Agricultural Society, died recently at Albany. He did excellent service in the position he occupied, and will be greatly missed by a wide circle of friends.

THE *Times* has heard from Washington of a Federal office for which there are six applicants—a Bloomer woman, a royal negro, a reconstructed rebel, a Republican Irishman, a wounded soldier, and a red-hot politician—each "backed" by a Representative.

The Florida orange crop will not be a failure after all. Those trees which did not lose their leaves have blossomed very heavily, and many persons anticipate that even those which were rendered leafless will blossom later in the season. Peaches and plums have set very abundantly.

The Luxemburg Fortress is now, after a long delay, nearly demolished. On April 3 two capacious mines filled with powder, under the structure, were fired by means of electricity, and the entire circle of walls was leveled to the ground.

Another Mazzinian conspiracy has been discovered at Milan. Papers relating to the plot were found, and a large amount arms and ammunition was seized. Several of the moving spirits in the conspiracy were arrested.

Portugal sympathizes with the efforts which are being made across the border by the Spaniard in behalf of self government. A military rising is looked for in Oporto, and the authorities are seriously alarmed and on the *qui vive*.

The President has solved the vexed question, can a colored man hold office in Georgia, in a very practicle manner, by appointing Edward Belcher, an intelligent mulatto, to the office of assessor of internal revenue for the third district of that State.

MANUREING TREES—A safe guide is to watch the trees themselves. If they grow vigorously, with shoots over two feet in length, with no care, they need little attention; but if only a foot or less, the owner may settle his mind that he must apply both manure and cultivation to save his trees. If the trees grow annually from one to two feet or more, they are doing well.

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AGRICULTURAL

"He that by the plough would thrive,
Himself must either hold or drive."

Forwarding Farm Labor.

There are two prominent classes of people, those who are ahead of their business and those who are behind-hand in nearly all they undertake. We should take time by the forelock; tardy ones now-a-days, in these times of railroad speed and bustling, energetic action, are a class of people better fitted for the days of "Auld lang Syne." The former class is like the man of capital, who is able to take advantage of every special opportunity and unlooked for crisis in which he may increase his wealth. By being before his work, he can turn to good account each favorable time for doing certain parts of his business. The other class are very apt to be in a fret and decent shape, and so as to *approximate* the proper time for it, there is bustle and driving in-doors and out. All are kept on a tension, and, like strings of a violin thus kept, are prone to lose their tone and strength.—Moreover the work has to be slighted, and small incomes are the result.

These remarks apply to the farmer more especially; and now is a good time for him to prepare for the spring campaign. There are many things he can do to further the operations of spring.—Let him see that all his tools are in working order, and that he has a full supply of them; if not, get them now—oftentimes they can be bought cheaper when purchased out of season. "A penny saved," &c. If tools or carriages are unpainted, see to this, and give them a chance to dry. Plan what you wish to plant, how much, and how you are to manure it. Calculate how much fertilizers you can furnish yourself, and how much you will buy, and be diligent to lay in ashes, good composts, &c.

As the ground opens, fix at once your fences, the stakes and posts for which may be prepared now. Do not leave your woodpile sled-length, or in marketable shape, but let it be fitted for the stove, and not worry the good house-wife by not giving her the requisite to keep up steam. Let working stock be in good condition for spring labor, and good keeping now will be wise. Look out for hired help in season.

Another way to forward work is to *know how to do it*. Let me whisper in your ears, my good friend, that to know how, the best way is to take some good agricultural journal. If you take the *Country Gentleman*, you will know how to farm about right.

In fine, adopt another man's motto: when you see anything to to do, *do it*, and it will be done, and with seeds and tools ready, plans arranged, and all things in order expeditionsly, giving full time for summer and autumn work. Enterprise and well directed energy *keep up with time*.—W. H. LANE, *in Country Gentleman*.

BREAD.—Potatoes greatly improve bread. After being cooked mash and rub them through a colander Mix in and knead with the flour. A pint of potato to three or four loaves.

THE VEGETABLE GARDEN..—Perparations should now be made for raising plants for setting out as the vegetable garden, as soon in the soil is in proper condition to receive them, Some vegetables do not bear transplanting well and the seed of these should be got into the ground very early so that the plants may have the full benefit of the growing season to bring them to maturity. The parsnip is a slow grower, does not bear removal, and requires to be sown early. For parsnips, carrots, beets cabbages, cauliflowers, etc., the ground cannot be too deeply tilled or too highly manure should not be used for long rooted plants; for these, rich compost, or well decomposed manure is the most suitable. For parsnips, carrots, and beets, long manure may be applied to the soil in the preceding Fall. It will be decomposed before the usual time of sowing the seed in Spring.

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2. Be it further ordained That all persons liable to pay tax within the corporation be required to deliver to the Town Mayor on or before the 15th day of May, 1868, a list of all real taxable property for which they may be liable.—Any person failing to render such list shall be liable to a double tax, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to enforce this ordinance strictly according to Law.
3. Be it further ordained, That all the male citizens within the incorporate limits of said Town, liable by law to work on public roads, be and they are hereby required to work on the public streets and roads in the corporate limits of said Town six days in the year or forfeit to the Mayor one dollarfor each day they fail. Provided, That in the discretion of the Mayor such service may be rendered by substitute.
4. Be it further ordained, That the Mayor shall have power to divide the hands liable to work the streets and roads into companies, and order them to work on the streets or roads at any time or place he may deem necessary.—Provided, That he cannot require them to work more than six days in the year.
5. Be it further ordained, That any person who shall ride or hitch any horse, or other animal, on the side walks of the streets of the Town shall forfeit and pay a fine of One Dollar for the first and Two Dollars for each additional offence, to be collected and expended as other taxes for improvement of the Town.
6. Be it further ordained, That a tax of Twenty-Five Dollars be and is hereby levied on all retailers of Spirituous Liquors in quantities less than five gallons, Provided the sale of liquors by regular Physicians, strictly for medicinal purposes, shall be excepted from the operation of this ordinance.
7. Be it further ordained, That a tax of Five Dollars be laid upon all itenerant persons not residents of said county, who shall offer for sale any Goods, Wares or Merchandise within the limits of said Town.
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